

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2005-57-C - ORDER NO. 2006-84

FEBRUARY 8, 2006

IN RE: Joint Petition for Arbitration on Behalf of) ORDER ADOPTING
NewSouth Communications, Corp., NuVox) PROPOSED SCHEDULE
Communications, Inc., KMC Telecom V, Inc.,)
KMC Telecom III, LLC and Xspedius)
[Affiliates] of an Interconnection Agreement)
with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.)
Pursuant to Section 252(b) of the)
Communications Act of 1934, as Amended.)

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Joint Petition of the parties in this matter to extend the deadline for the Commission Order on the merits until June 12, 2006, and adopt, subject to change, March 23, 2006, as the merits hearing date. Although one merits hearing has taken place in this Docket, another one appears to be necessary to conclude this case. Further, April 24, 2006, would be designated as the date for filing of Briefs and/or Proposed Orders in the matter. We have examined this Joint Petition and approve it, effective as of January 31, 2006. The matter before this Commission is a complex telecommunications arbitration matter which has had various procedural questions arise. The additional time proposed by the parties to proceed towards conclusion of this matter is well justified. Accordingly, the following schedule is hereby adopted, effective January 31, 2006:

March 23, 2006 (subject to change) Merits Hearing

April 24, 2006

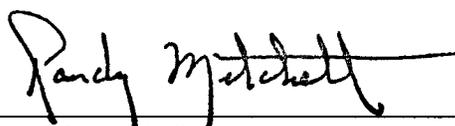
Briefs and/or Proposed Orders Filed

June 12, 2006

Commission Order on Merits Issued

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



Randy Mitchell, Chairman

ATTEST:



G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice Chairman

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